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P.C.C. Societies in Malabar

* 790 *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total number of Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Societies that were functioning in the State during the time of decontrol;

(*b*) the number of Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Societies liquidated afterwards; and

(*c*) the number of Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Societies reorganized up to 1st November 1954?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" (*a*) At the time of decontrol of foodgrains, i.e., on 10th July 1954 only 66 out of 107 Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Societies were functioning as the remaining 41 had already been relieved of foodgrain business prior to that date.

" (*b*) the registration of eleven societies was cancelled up to 1st November 1954.

" (*c*) Sixteen."

SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR:—" Is it a fact that some of the Producers'-*cum*-Consumers Co-operative Societies had been liquidated for want of positive policy on the part of the Government in respect of this matter? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" I may give the hon. Member additional and up-to-date information. Out of 107 societies, 68 have so far been transferred to the Co-operative Department. A conference of the representatives of select societies and consumers interested in this work was held at Kozhikode on the 2nd of this month and a small committee has been set up to implement the decisions taken at this conference, for early conversion of these societies into rural banks or other types of societies."

SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER:—" Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to state the number of societies functioning in the South Arcot district and the number of societies liquidated and the reasons therefor? "

MR. SPEAKER:—" Let the hon. Member put a separate question."

SRI M. S. MOGRAL:—" May I know whether there is any objection to divert the reserve fund of the liquidated society for public utility purpose if the general body of that society passes a resolution to that effect? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" Let the hon. Member put a separate question."

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SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" The Hon. Minister just now referred to a recent conference. May I know whether the Government accept the recommendations of that conference? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Government will accept the recommendations."

House-sites for Harijans in Attur

*791 *Q.*—SRI A. SAMBASIVAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) the extent of lands acquired for the purpose of providing Harijans in Attur with house-sites;

(*b*) if the extent of lands acquired is small, the reasons therefor;

(*c*) how many years have elapsed since the lands were acquired; and

(*d*) why the lands have not been allotted to the Harijans till now?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) 5·47 acres.

" (*b*) The extent required for 68 families was acquired.

" (*c*) The lands were acquired on 24th June 1953.

" (*d*) The Attur Tahsildar has been instructed to lay out plots and assign them to all the 68 Harijan families."

SRI A. SAMBASIVAM :—" தலைவர் அவர்களே, வீடில்லாதவர்கள் 85 பேர்களை லிஸ்டிலிருந்து நீக்கியிருக்கிறார்கள். அவர்களுக்கு வீடு கட்டிக்கொடுக்க வேண்டுமென்ற சட்டமிருந்தும்கூட அவர்களுக்கு வீடு கட்டிக்கொடுக்காத காரணம் என்ன? வீடில்லாத ஹரிஜனங்களுக்கு வீடுகள் கட்டிக்கொள்வதற்கு நிலம் வாங்கிக் கொடுக்க உடனடியாக அரசாங்கம் நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்போகிறதா ? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" There is no need for further acquisition. Lands have already been acquired and the only work that remains to be done is the laying-out of the plots. But nearly 44 family plots have already been laid out and only in respect of the remaining plots, the Tahsildar has been asked to expedite the work."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" ஆத்தூரில் கவர்ன்மெண்ட் புறம்போக்கு நிலங்கள் இருக்கின்றன. அந்தக் குறிப்பிட்ட நிலத்தை என் ஆர்ஜிதம் செய்யவில்லை ? காரணம் என்ன ? 1953-ம் வருஷத்திலிருந்து இதுவரையில் அப்படி ஆர்ஜிதம் செய்யப்படாததற்குக் காரணம் என்ன? அப்படி 'லே அவுட்' செய்வதற்கு எவ்வளவு பணத்தை சர்க்கார் ஒதுக்கியிருக்கிறார்கள் ? அதில் எவ்வளவு பணம் செலவு செய்யப்பட்டிருக்கிறது ? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" Some lands have been unauthorisedly occupied by Caste Hindus and they have been evicted quite recently. Now the Tahsildar has been asked to lay out plots and assign them to such of those to whom the lands have not yet been assigned."